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GREECE-CYPRUS: Greek Deputy Foreign Minister Palamas believes that the chances for keeping the Cypriot intercommunal talks alive are growing dimmer. The talks, now beginning their fourth year, have been aimed at adapting the constitution to allow for a workable modus vivendi between the Greek and Turkish communities on the island. Palamas told the US ambassador in Greece that if the talks fail, Athens and Ankara may have to examine "other possibilities." Palamas gave no indication what these other approaches might be, but he warned that no solution to the Cyprus problem is possible without Makarios' approval. Palamas added that Makarios views Cyprus as a Greek state with a Turkish minority, and will not consent to a Turkish Cypriot "partnership" in running the government.

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